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For: Methods For The Degradation And Detoxification Of Organic Material Using Urine Produced By Transgenic Animals And Related Transgenic Animals And Proteins

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed on June 5, 2001 in the above-captioned application. A Petition for a two-month extension of time with the requisite fee is enclosed to extend the time to respond to November 5, 2001, which is within the statutory period. Should such a request or any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 5-7, 11-13, 15, 45-47, 51-65 and 67-74 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly amend the application by adding the following new claims:

- 75. (New) A method of producing a protein or a peptide in the urine of a non-human transgenic mammal, said method comprising:
- (a) providing a non-human transgenic mammal having stably integrated into its genome an exogenous gene encoding a protein or a peptide comprising expression regulatory sequences operably linked to said exogenous gene encoding said protein or peptide; and
- (b) allowing said exogenous gene encoding said protein or peptide to be expressed and to be secreted into the urine of said transgenic mammal,